

110TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 2700

To amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to double the liability limits for single-hull tankers and tank barges for 2009, and for other purposes.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 4, 2008

Mr. LAUTENBERG introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. INCREASED SINGLE-HULL LIABILITY LIMITS**  
4       **FOR 2009.**

5       Section 1004(a)(1)(A) of the Oil Pollution Act of  
6       1990 (33 U.S.C. 2704) is amended to read as follows:

7               “(A) with respect to a single-hull vessel,  
8               including a single-hull vessel fitted with double  
9               sides only or a double bottom—

1           “(i) only \$3,000 per gross ton, if the  
2           incident for which liability is imposed  
3           under section 1002 occurs before January  
4           1, 2009; and

5           “(ii) only \$6,000 per gross ton, if the  
6           incident for which liability is imposed  
7           under section 1002 occurs after December  
8           31, 2009, and before January 1, 2010;”.

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